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In re application of:

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DECISION ON PETITION

Serial No.: 09/263,022

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For: NOVEL HUMAN DICKKOPF-RELATED PROTEIN AND NUCLEIC
ACID MOLECULES AND USES THEREFOR

This is a decision on the petition faxed August 7, 2000, inquiring as to the status of the above application.

Petitioners allege that they never received the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application mailed on April 5, 1999, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of two (2) months.

The evidence submitted is sufficient to establish that the petitioners did not receive the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application.

Having found that all requirements for the filing of a grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) have been met, this Petition is hereby GRANTED.

A new Notice to File Missing Parts of Application is attached to this decision setting forth a new response period two months from the date of the notice.

Telephone inquiries concerning this matter may be directed to Doshie E. Day at (707) 308-3640.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Doshie E. Day".

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